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1. Professor Doctor Werner Lange, who was formerly the chief of the East German Central Office for Research and Development (ZAPT) is to become the head of a new Academy Institute for Physical Chemistry. The institute is to be located at Erkner, in the only building on Flakentrasse. It is to be completely set up and ready for operation by the end of 1956. As of early August 1955, Lange was in the process of forming a staff for the new institute; the size the staff will have is not known. It is alleged that from 10 to 15 scientists who are to be returned from the USSR in the future will be assigned to the new institute. The institute will engage chiefly in research on iron and steel, with special attention to high-grade steels.
2. The Institute for Physical Chemistry is to be under the direct jurisdiction of the East German Academy of Sciences in Berlin and will function as an academy institute.

1. Comment: Lange was replaced as head of ZAPT by Prof. Josef Stanek on 3 June 1955. Comment: A report received from another source stated that Dr. Lange had been appointed professor at the Bergakademie Freiberg in late July 1955.

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